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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1154  
By White

A RESOLUTION to designate November 20, 2002 as World  
Children's Day in Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause in its deliberations to recognize that young children, both boys and girls, who are the future of this great nation, are in need of support and caring through charitable work everyday; and

WHEREAS, Ronald McDonald House Charities offers that support to enrich the lives of children who are less fortunate and to help them in times of need so they can lead happy lives and become productive members of society; and

WHEREAS, November 20, 2002 has been designated World Children's Day, an international fundraising effort to support organizations that help children in need, including Ronald McDonald House Charities which creates, finds, and supports programs that directly improve the health and well-being of children; and

WHEREAS, World Children's Day is the first-ever worldwide charitable effort to be held on a single day, November 20, 2002; and

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WHEREAS, World Children's Day will officially launch at the Ronald McDonald Houses Charities Awards of Excellence celebration in Chicago, Illinois on Saturday, September 14, 2002; and

WHEREAS, our collective future depends on the quality of life we provide for our children today; now is the time to take action and help make a difference in the lives of children and families that are less fortunate and ensure the well-being of future generations; and

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That this General Assembly hereby designates November 20, 2002 as World Children's Day in Tennessee and encourages all Tennesseans to join in this worthwhile event and make a positive difference for our children.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we honor and commend the good people of Ronald McDonald House Charities for their longstanding commitment to enriching the lives of our youth.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.